

an air bag cover skin portion connected at said edge and adapted to cover the air bag deployment portion of the automotive interior panel, the air bag cover skin portion comprising a second plastic material having the property of remaining substantially more ductile with decreasing temperature than the first plastic material;

a bond attaching the main body skin portion at said edge to the air bag cover skin portion;  
and

an air bag deployment region disposed within the air bag cover skin portion and adapted to open with the air bag deployment door in response to the force of an inflating air bag.

36. (Once Amended) A method of forming a skin for an automotive interior panel wherein the skin comprises a main body skin portion for covering most of an outer surface of the panel having an opening comprising an edge, and an air bag cover skin portion bordered at the edge by the main body skin portion for covering only an air bag deployment portion of the air bag cover panel, the method comprising the steps of:

forming the main body skin portion by casting a first plastic material against a first surface area of a heated shell tool to form a first plastic skin casting to the desired shape of the main body skin portion, and

forming the air bag cover skin portion by casting a second plastic material against a second surface area of the heated shell tool bounded by the first surface area to form a second plastic skin casting to the desired shape of the air bag cover skin portion, and

forming a bond at said edge of the main body skin portion and attaching the main body skin portion and the air bag cover skin portion together while on the heated shell tool.